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In re Application of:  
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For: ***Method and Apparatus for Interrogating  
Fiber Optic Sensors.***

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Examiner: Suchecki, Krystyna

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R §§ 1.97(g) and (h), this Information Disclosure Statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made, and should not be

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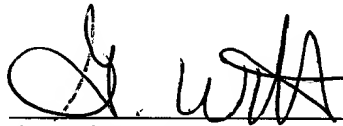
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construed to be an admission that the information cited is prior art or is considered to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed after the receipt of a first office action on the merits and therefore in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) a fee of \$180.00, as specified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), is believed to be due. Should any additional fees be deemed necessary, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No.:01-2508/13137.0049.NPUS00/LWT.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be considered and made of record in the present case and that the examiner initial the spaces on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 to evidence the same.

Respectfully submitted,



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